

## What can you do?

### Work to...

- ◆ Ensure awareness of **GPP** mandatory purchasing requirements at all levels
- ◆ Fill out the **GPP** information on the 180th FW Form 10.
- ◆ Substitute **environmentally preferable** products whenever feasible and cost effective
- ◆ Use recycled paper and recycled content office products
- ◆ Buy Energy Star®, and energy- and water- efficient products
- ◆ Find alternatives for products with excessive packaging or those that contain or produce hazardous or toxic chemicals
- ◆ Consider the entire life cycle of the product
- ◆ Recycle the following materials on base: paper, cardboard, beverage containers, electronics, metal, pallets, batteries, and tires

### Federal Program Requirements

- ◆ Resource Conservation and Recovery Act of 1976
- ◆ Federal Acquisition Regulations (FAR clauses)
- ◆ Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002 (Farm Bill 2002)
- ◆ Energy Policy Act of 2005, Sections 205 and 943
- ◆ Executive Order 13423, Strengthening Federal Environmental, Energy, and Transportation Management of 2007
- ◆ Food, Conservation, and Energy Act of 2008 (2008 Farm Bill)

## Additional Resources

Comprehensive Procurement Guideline, EPA <http://www.epa.gov/cpg/products.htm>

Energy Star®, EPA <http://www.energystar.gov/>

Non-Ozone Depleting Substances, EPA <http://www.epa.gov/ozone/snap/lists/index.html>

Energy Efficient Products and Minimal Standby Power Devices, DOE <http://www1.eere.energy.gov/femp/procurement/>

Alternative Fuels Data Center, DOE <http://www.eere.energy.gov/afdc/>

Biobased Products Program (USDA) <http://www.biobased.oce.usda.gov/fb4p/>

FEMP Standby Power [http://www1.eere.energy.gov/femp/technologies/standby\\_power.html](http://www1.eere.energy.gov/femp/technologies/standby_power.html)

GSA Environmental Products <http://www.gsa.gov/portal/content/103094>

GSA Advantage!® [www.gsadvantage.gov](http://www.gsadvantage.gov)

AbilityOne (formerly Javits-Wagner-O'Day Program) <http://www.abilityone.org/>

UNICOR, Federal Prison Industries [www.unicor.gov/](http://www.unicor.gov/)

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## 180th Fighter Wing



## 2011 Green Procurement Program (GPP)



## What is “Green” Procurement?

**Green Procurement (GP)** is the purchase of environmentally preferable products and services. These products are made with recovered materials and are preferred because they conserve resources, create less pollution and waste, or eliminate health and safety risks. The intent of GP is to stimulate recycling by creating a market for new products made from recycled materials.

A **GP Plan** is the installation’s plan for buying these items. The DoD and USAF goal is to achieve 100% compliance with all mandatory Federal GPP programs in all acquisition transitions—commodities, contracts, and services that require designated items.

### The Green Procurement Program includes these mandatory components:

- ♦ Recycled content products, also known as EPA’s Comprehensive Procurement Guideline (CPG) items
- ♦ Energy-efficient products: Energy Star® and Federal Energy Management Program (FEMP) designated products; and low standby power devices
- ♦ Water efficient products which meet EPA’s WaterSense Standards
- ♦ Alternative fuel vehicles/alternative fuels
- ♦ Bio-based products
- ♦ Non-ozone depleting substances
- ♦ Environmentally preferable products (EPP) and services
- ♦ Products with low or no toxic or hazardous constituents

## Why Buy “Green”?

**Green purchasing**, the purchase of products with environmental and energy saving attributes, demonstrates good stewardship by:

- ♦ Conserving resources
- ♦ Saving landfill space
- ♦ Creating markets for recycled materials and agricultural products
- ♦ Reducing pollution
- ♦ Demonstrating compliance with laws, regulations and executive orders
- ♦ Reducing HAZMAT and HAZWASTE liabilities
- ♦ Providing potential cost savings \$\$\$

The ultimate goal of GP through purchasing by the federal government will lead to increased recycling demand, recycled-content products, alternative fuel sources, and energy-efficient products.

## Who Must Buy “Green”

**GPP requirements apply to all purchases of products and services by:**

- ♦ Any Federal agency, or state/local agency, or contractor using appropriated federal funds
- ♦ All Government Purchase Card (GPC) holders
- ♦ Civil Engineering and Contracting Office personnel responsible for developing contracting documents for services and construction projects.

Contract statements of work (SOWs) and specifications and service contract Performance Work Statement must require the use of GPP-compliant items. The GPP requirements are outlined in the base GPP Plan. **Training and documentation** are critical elements in achieving compliance with these requirements.

## What items are “Green”

**Do you purchase, contract, or initiate a request for goods or services that include...**

- ♦ Paper or non-paper office products
- ♦ Computers or other electronic equipment?
- ♦ Batteries, light bulbs, or appliances?
- ♦ Signs, awards or plaques?
- ♦ Vehicles, gasoline, oil, or tires?
- ♦ Plastic fencing or picnic tables?
- ♦ Printing or copying services?
- ♦ Janitorial supplies or services?
- ♦ Landscaping or grounds maintenance products or services?
- ♦ Construction products or services?

**If you purchase any or all of these products, always think “green” at the start of every acquisition process. Find alternatives for products with excessive packaging and those with toxic chemicals.**

There are three exceptions for not buying a compliant product, if the product:

- ♦ Is not available at a reasonable price;
- ♦ Will not meet technical performance standards; or
- ♦ Is not available within a reasonable timeframe.

When buying designated CPG items that do not comply with EPA requirements, for purchases over \$2500, a written justification must be prepared by the purchase and provided to the Contracting Officer.